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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Heshmat et al

Serial no. 10/023,922

Filed: December 18, 2001

For: HYBRID FOIL-MAGNETIC BEARING

WITH IMPROVED LOAD SHARING

Art Unit: 4766

Examiner: Dang D. Le

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT WITH TRAVERSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2003, Applicant hereby elects, with traverse, to prosecute the following claims:

I. Claims 1 to 16